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**PUD #1 of Wahkiakum County**

As General Manager at Wahkiakum PUD I believe that keeping our costs as low as possible is one of my biggest challenges. The fact that the TIG option does not create a new entity indicates that this would also be the least cost option. I can't speak for the commissioners but I am sure they would agree that we need to keep our power rates as low as possible. As a small utility with no transmission I have not had the time to keep up with all of the details of each proposal but the information I do have indicates that the TIG option would be best for Wahkiakum.